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THE FOLLOWING DRAFT TEXT WAS PROVIDED BY THE US OBSERVER AT THE ARUSHA TALKS, JOYCE LEADER.

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- 1. SUMMARY. TANZANIA'S DEFENSE MINISTER IS
 CONTINUING SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY ON PENDING MILITARY
 ISSUES AND PLANS TO REPORT STATUS TO OBSERVERS ON THE
 AFTERNOON OF MAY 18. FORCE PROPORTIONS IS NOT YET
 UNDER DISCUSSION. OAU AND UN OBSERVERS ARE
 SUBMITTING PROPOSED OPTIONS FOR COOPERATION TO THEIR
 RESPECTIVE HEADQUARTERS. THE GOVERNMENT'S LETTER OF
 SUPPORT FOR THE OAU IS TO BE HAND CARRIED FROM KIGALI
 THIS WEEK. A JOINT POLITICAL MILITARY COMMISSION
 MEETING (JPMC) IS STILL A POSSIBILITY FOLLOWING THE
 CONCLUSION OF THE MILITARY AGENDA. END SUMMARY.
- 2. TANZANIAN SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY. INSTEAD OF PRESENTING HIS CONCLUSIONS ON PENDING MILITARY ISSUES TO THE TWO SIDES AS FACILITATOR RECOMMENDATIONS, TANZANIAN DEFENSE MINISTER KINANA IS TRYING TO NUDGE THE TWO SIDES TO AGREEMENT THROUGH SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY INVOLVING KEY MEMBERS OF EACH DELEGATION. THE SIDES REMAIN FAR APART ON THE STATUS OF KIGALI, RPF PARTICIPATION IN THE GENDARMERIE, AND THE LOCATION OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- PAGE 03 DAR ES 02634 01 OF 02 190918Z CANTONMENT SITES. THE RPF WILL RESPOND THROUGH THE FACILITATOR TO NEW GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS ON THOSE ISSUES LATER MAY 18. THE ASSEMBLY ZONE/POINT ISSUE IS NEARLY RESOLVED.
- 3. ASSEMBLY ZONE/POINT. THE GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO LET THE INTERNATIONAL FORCE IDENTIFY ASSEMBLY POINTS FOR THE RPF AND HAS AGREED TO CONSIDER FAVORABLY "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SITES OUTSIDE THE CURRENT RPF ZONE OF OCCUPATION." THE RPF SAYS THIS WAS ITS POSITION ALL ALONG. IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE RPF HAS ABANDONED THE IDEA OF A LINE PARTITIONING THE COUNTRY INTO ZONES.
- 4. STATUS OF KIGALI. THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH CONTINUES TO ARGUE FOR USING KIGALI MILITARY CAMPS AS ASSEMBLY POINTS, HAS PROPOSED CREATION OF A MIXED BATALLION -- 200 INTERNATIONAL FORCE, 200 GOR AND 200 RPF TROOPS -- TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR RPF AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS. THE RPF MAINTAINS THE GOVERNMENT FORCES SHOULD GO TO ASSEMBLY POINTS OUTSIDE OF KIGALI WITH SECURITY PROVIDED BY THE INTERNATIONAL FORCE.

5. GENDARMERIE. THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO TAKE 1,200 RPF FORCES INTO THE GENDARMERIE IMMEDIATELY, REDUCING ITS CURRENT SIZE (7,500) THROUGH GRADUAL DEMOBILIZATION SO THAT THE FORCE TOTAL AT THE END OF NINE MONTHS WOULD BE THE PRESCRIBED 6,000. THE RPF'S INITIAL INFORMAL RESPONSE IS NEGATIVE; THEY SAY THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT SERIOUS. THEY STILL DEMAND INTEGRATION BY PROPORTIONS.

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- 6. CANTONMENT SITES. THE GOR, THE FACILITATOR, AND THE UN MILITARY OBSERVER ARE ADAMANT THAT HEAVY WEAPONS SHOULD BE STORED AWAY FROM ASSEMBLY POINTS AND GUARDED BY THE INTERNATIONAL FORCE. THE RPF REMAINS STEADFAST IN ITS DEMAND THAT THESE WEAPONS BE STORED AT VARIOUS ASSEMBLY POINTS. AN RPF LEADER TOLD U.S. OBSERVER THAT THE RPF NEEDED TO RETAIN THIS "DETERRENT" IN THE FACE OF "ARMED MILITIA" NOT COVERED BY DISARMAMENT COMMITMENTS. OBSERVERS AND GOR ATTRIBUTE RPF INTRANSIGENCE TO MORE THAN A SIMPLE SELF-DEFENSE MOTIVE.
- 7. GOR SUPPORT FOR THE OAU. GOR MINISTER CONTACTED

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THE PRESIDENCY ABOUT THE PROPOSED LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE OAU/SYG AND HIS EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE NMOG. HE SAID THE LETTER, TO COME FROM THE PRESIDENT, IS TO BE HAND-CARRIED TO ADDIS ABABA THIS WEEK (WEDNESDAY OR SUNDAY FLIGHT) BY EX-PRIME MINISTER NSANZIMANA. THE PRESIDENCY WILL DRAFT THE LETTER.

8. OAU ON NMOG. THE MINISTER TOLD U.S. OBSERVER THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A REPORT FROM ADDIS ON A MEETING BETWEEN OAU/SYG AND AFRICAN AMBASSADORS. REPORTEDLY

THE OAU/SYG SAID HE WAS PUSHING AHEAD ON ENLARGING THE NMOG, THAT NMOG WOULD REMAIN IN RWANDA UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF AN INTERNATIONAL FORCE, AND THAT IT WOULD BECOME A PART OF THAT FORCE.

9. OAU/UN COOPERATION. THE OAU AND UN OBSERVERS HAVE WORKED OUT A SERIES OF FOUR OPTIONS FOR OAU/UN COOPERATION IN RWANDA AFTER A PEACE ACCORD IS SIGNED. UN SOURCES SAY ALL OPTIONS FALL WITHIN A FRAMEWORK OF A UN-COMMANDED FORCE WITH OAU PERSONNEL SECONDED TO THE OPERATION. THE OAU OBSERVER WILL BRIEF THE OAU/SYG IN ADDIS THIS WEEK. THE UN OBSERVERS ARE FAXING THEIR DOCUMENT MAY 18 TO BOTH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PAGE 03 DAR ES 02634 02 OF 02 190919Z PKO AND POLITICAL DEPARTMENTS IN NEW YORK.

UN/MILITARY OBSERVER INSISTED TO U.S. OBSERVER THAT THESE PROPOSALS WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE SYG. HE IMPLIED THEY MIGHT BE LINKED SOMEHOW TO THE PENDING REPORTS. HE IS ANXIOUS TO MAKE A RECONNAISSANCE MISSION TO RWANDA AND INSISTS THAT WESTERN PRESSURE COULD MAKE THE CURRENT YELLOW LIGHT TURN GREEN.

- 10. JPMC MEETING? THE OAU OBSERVER IS EXPECTED TO BRING ALL JPMC MEETING REPORTS WITH HIM FROM ADDIS. REVIEW OF THESE REPORTS BY BOTH SIDES WILL AID IN PLANNING FOR THE NEXT JPMC. RPF SAYS SUCH A MEETING COULD STILL BE CALLED FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF DISCUSSION ON MILITARY ISSUES, OR AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK. ANYTHING MORE DEFINITE WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO AWAIT OAU OBSERVER'S RETURN TO ARUSHA (EXPECTED THURSDAY OR SUNDAY). (NOTE: DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO FAX NOTES ON FUTURE OF JPMC, RECEIVED IN ARUSHA, DIRECT TO OAU OBSERVER IN ADDIS TO AID HIS DISCUSSION THERE).
- PROPOSALS FOR RPF SECURITY IN KIGALI AND FOR INTEGRATION OF THE RPF INTO THE GENDARMERIE ARE UNLIKELY TO BE SUFFICIENT TO LOCK IN DEMILITARIZATION OF KIGALI OR TO KEEP PROPORTIONS FROM BEING APPLIED TO THE GENDARMERIE. THE TANZANIAN MINISTER WILL BRIEF OBSERVERS ON THE STATUS OF HIS CONSULTATIONS ON THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 18. AFTERWARDS, HE WILL CONTINUE HIS SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY, PERHAPS STARTING ON THE FORCE PROPORTIONS ISSUE. HIS ONE WEEK IN ARUSHA

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